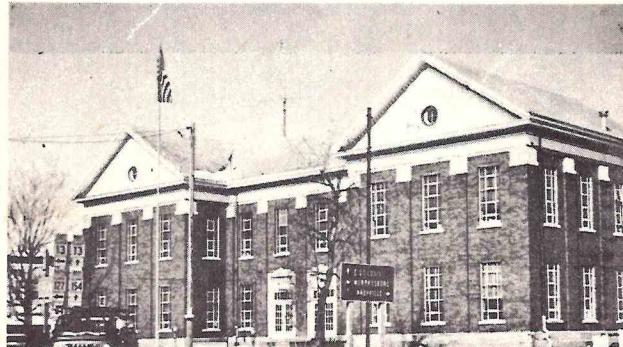


**Reference & Year Book  
For  
Perry County, Illinois**



PERRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE

**1973-1974**

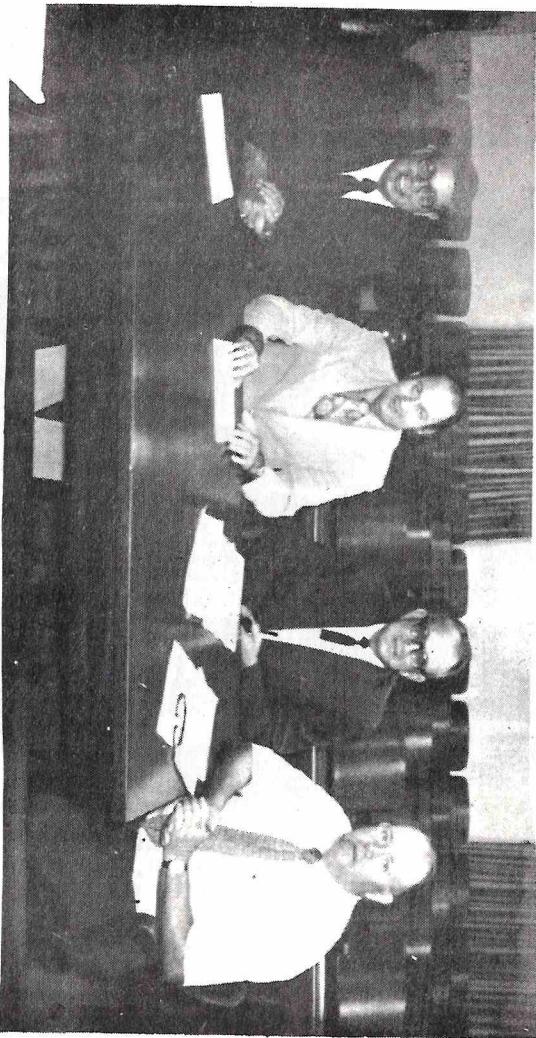
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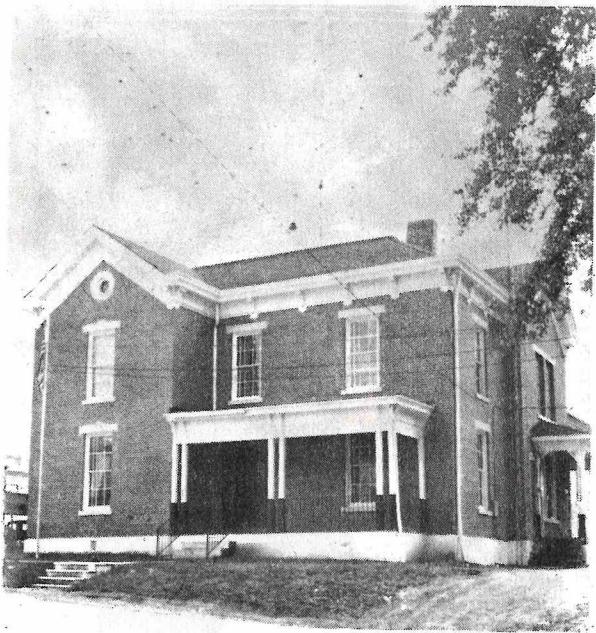
**WINTON L. BIGHAM**

County Clerk & Recorder

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The Perry County Board of Commissioners. Left to right, Vallie West, John Rednour (Chairman), Victor Provart and County Clerk Winton Bigham.





The Perry County Jail  
In Pinckneyville, Ill.

# REFERENCE AND YEAR BOOK

## PERRY COUNTY ILLINOIS

Containing a List of

National Executive Officers, Illinois  
Executive Officers, County, City and  
Village Officers; also a list of other  
important items of interest.

**JOHN REDNOUR**

Chairman

Board of County Commissioners

**VALLIE D. WEST**

Member

**VICTOR O. PROVART**

Member

Compiled By:

**WINTON L. BIGHAM**

County Clerk & Recorder

Pinckneyville, Illinois

## ELECTED COUNTY OFFICERS

County Clerk & Recorder..Winton L. Bigham  
Circuit Clerk .....Robert Phipps  
Coroner .....F. M. Maxton  
Sheriff .....Ed Rainwater  
States Attorney .... Michael K. Grabowski  
Superintendent of Educational Service Region  
Philip A. Provart

Treasurer & County Collector ....  
William C. Heisner  
County Commissioner ..... John Rednour  
County Commissioner .....Victor Provart  
County Commissioner ..... Vallie West

## APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICERS

County Assessor .... Charles W. Macaluso  
County Superintendent of Highways ....  
Charles Neville  
County General Assistance .. Roger E. Knapp  
Probation Officer ..... Ivan Heape  
County Rabies Inspector .. Dr. J. A. Bates

## OFFICE PERSONNEL

County Clerk's &  
Recorder's Office .....  
Winton L. Bigham  
Carol Millikin, Deputy County Clerk  
Lois Uhe, Deputy County Recorder  
Cecelia Wegner, Clerk

Circuit Clerk's Office .....  
Robert Phipps  
Bertha Mann, Deputy Clerk  
Robin Juhl, Clerk  
Cathy Howerton, Clerk

County Coroner's Office .....  
F. M. Maxton  
Richard Pyatt, Deputy  
Charles Schwebel, Deputy  
Winifred Keeling, Deputy

County Sheriff's Office. ....  
Ed Rainwater  
Frank Mangin, Chief Deputy  
E. W. Barney West, Chief Investigator  
Kay Carns, Deputy Clerk  
Jack Lintner, Deputy  
Billy Smith, Deputy

States Attorney Office .....  
Michael K. Grabowski  
Rozann Boggis, Deputy Clerk

Supt. of Educational Service Region's Office  
Philip A. Provart  
Annamae Todd, Assistant Superintendent  
Betty Lue Teel, Clerk

## OFFICE PERSONNEL (Con't.)

### Treasurer & Collector's Office . . . .

William C. Heisner  
Susan Ross, Deputy Treasurer  
Betty Eisen, Deputy Collector  
Susie M. Heisner, Clerk

### County Assessor's Office . . . .

Charles W. Macaluso  
Mary Anne Harriss, Deputy Assessor  
Mildred Burris, Clerk

### County Superintendent of Highways Office

Charles Neville  
Reola McNeill, Clerk

### County General Assistance Office . . . .

Roger E. Knapp  
Joseph A. Schneider, Deputy

## STATE OFFICERS

### Legislative Branch

State Senators	Term 6 years
Charles H. Percy	Republican
Adeli Stevenson	Democrat
Congressman	Term 2 years
Kenneth J. Gray	

## STATE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Governor	Daniel Walker
Lieutenant Governor	Neil F. Hartigan
Attorney General	William J. Scott
Secretary of State	Michael J. Howlett

State Treasurer	Alan J. Dixon
Comptroller	George W. Lindberg
Superintendent of Public Instruction	Michael Bakalis

### State Legislative Branch - 58th District

State Senator	Kenneth Buzbee
State Representative	James Holloway
State Representative	Norbert Springer
State Representative	Ralph Dunn

## NATIONAL OFFICERS

President	Richard M. Nixon
Vice-President	Spiro Agnew
Secretary of State	Henry Kissinger
Secretary of Treasury	George P. Shultz
Secretary of Defense	Elliot L. Richardson
Secretary of Army	Robert F. Froehlke
Secretary of Navy	John W. Warner
Secretary of Air Force	Robert C. Seamans, Jr.
Attorney General	Richard G. Kleindienst
Postmaster General	E. T. Klassen

Secretary of Interior      Rogers C. B. Morton  
Secretary of Agriculture      Earl L. Butz  
Secretary of Commerce      Frederic Dent  
Secretary of Labor      Peter Brennan  
Secretary of Health, Education  
  & Welfare      Casper Weinberger  
Ambassador to United Nations      John Scali  
Chief Justice      Warren E. Burger  
Associate Justices      William O. Douglas  
                            William J. Brennan, Jr.  
                            Potter Stewart  
                            Byron R. White  
                            Thurgood Marshall  
                            Harry A. Blackmun  
                            Lewis F. Powell, Jr.  
                            William H. Rehnquist

#### Some Facts About The Settlement And Organization of Perry County

Perry County was created by an act of the legislature of the State of Illinois at its fifth session held in the State Capitol building in Vandalia, beginning December 4, 1826 and ending February 19, 1827. The act was approved January 29, 1827 by Ninian Edwards, Governor.

The first appointed office holder in the county was Humphrey B. Jones. Mr. Jones was appointed Clerk of the Circuit Court on February 19, 1827 by T. W. Smith, Associate Judge of the Supreme Court. Mr. Jones' first responsibility was call and hold an election in the County of Perry. Election was to elect three County Commissioners, a Sheriff and a Coroner.

Elected County Commissioners were John R. Hutching, David H. Mead and Elijah Wells' Joseph Wells, Sheriff; and Amos Anderson Coroner. All elected officials were sworn in June 4, 1827. Their first act was to appoint Humphrey B. Jones County Clerk and Daniel Dry, County Treasurer, Governor Ninian Edwards then appointed Humphrey B. Jones as Recorder in Perry County. This completed the organization of the new County.

The County Commissioners appointed a three (3) man committee to select a site for a County Courthouse. The committee recommended that the best site would be the east half of the north west quarter of Section 24 in Township 5 Range 3 containing 80 acres. The Board accepted the recommendation. The site of 80 acres was purchased for \$100.00 and 20 acres was to be surveyed in tracts and lots, streets and alleys with a public square. The original plat of Pinckneyville was executed July 21, 1829 and recorded in the Office of Recorder in Deed Record A on page 39 where by under this act of the Legislature creating the County, it was provided the County be named Perry and the County Seat should be named Pinckneyville.

A public sale of lots was order and in early 1828, 24 lots were sold for \$1,223.28 for an average of \$50.95 each.

Records show other towns and villages were incorporated as follows:

Du Quoin - 9/20/1853  
Tamaroa - 5/14/1855  
Sunfield - 6/28/1866  
Swanwick - 5/27/1871  
Cutler - 2/25/1873  
Willisville - 9/8/1893

The first Courthouse was built on the southeast corner of Lot 32 in the Original Survey of Pinckneyville. This is where Law Office of Hohlt, House, DeMoss and Johnson Law Office is located. This building was completed September, 1828. Adjoining the Courthouse was an enclosure for penning up stray horses, cows, hogs and anything caught running loose.

The second Courthouse was completed in the fall of 1837. It was a two story building built where the present Courthouse stands taking two years for construction and a cost of \$1,765.00. Several protests were heard due to the excessive cost to the taxpayer.

The third Courthouse was completed in December 3, 1850 at a cost of \$7,500.00.

The Courthouse was again remodeled and added to at a cost of \$9,742.00. This was completed on April 10, 1897.

The present Courthouse was added to and remodeled again in 1938 and 1939. This time the cost was \$52,754.00.

Adding all these figures together, the Courthouse in Perry County has only cost the local people \$71,761.00.

#### Dates to Remember

The Perry County Board of Commissioners meet each Friday of every week at 1:30 p.m. The Board of Commissioners can adjourn for a Special Meeting at anytime between regular meetings. The Chairman of the Board can call a Special Meeting by giving 24 hour notice or the other two (2) members can request a Special Meeting by requesting in writing to the County Clerk of the need for the call. The County Clerk must notify the news media of the Special Meeting call.

The year is divided into four (4) quarters spring, summer, fall and winter. The Board adjourns Sine Die on the last Friday before the third Monday of each quarter ending in March, June, September and December.

In addition, the County Board of Commissioners are required by Law to meet on the second Monday of July at 10:00 a.m.

The County Board meetings are open to the public and anyone may appear before the Board for any problem or request that they feel they want to present to the Board. The County Clerk is the official keeper of the minutes for the Board.

The County Board of Commissioners are also the Board of Review in Perry County. When assessments complaints are filed with

### Absent Voters Ballot

the County Assessor, it becomes the duty of the Board of Review to personally inspect where complaint is and make discussion if adjustments are to be made.

When Board of Review adjourns, they certify the County Assessor's Tax Valuation Books and they are then turned over to the County Clerk for tax extension purposes.

### Facts To Be Remembered Permanent Registration of Electors

#### Perry County, Illinois

The County Clerk is the Ex-Officio Registration Officer of the County and each person before he or she is qualified to vote for any primary, general or special election at which any state officers are to be nominated or elected must register in person with the County Clerk, or a Deputy Registrar.

No person shall be entitled to be registered in and from any precinct unless such person shall by the date of the election next following have resided in the State six months, within the precinct thirty days and be otherwise qualified to vote at such election. Every applicant who shall be eighteen years of age or over on the day of the next election shall be permitted to register, if otherwise qualified.

To constitute residence under this Act, a permanent abode and dwelling place within the precinct are necessary.

Any qualified voter who will be out of the County on election day or is physically incapacitated may make application, either by mail or in person, to the County Clerk to receive an absentee ballot. If application is made by mail an affidavit will be mailed. This must be done not more than thirty and not less than five days prior to election. If application is made in person, applicant may fill out the application and vote in person at the office of the County Clerk not more than thirty and not less than three days prior to election.

### Facts About Registration

The County Clerk's Office is open for registration Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. except for a twenty eight (28) day period before each election held in the County. When an elector is registered, they are required to sign two registration forms, one for the master file and one for the poll book for their voting precinct. They are also issued a Voter's Registration Card for their personal record.

### General Information About Obtaining A Marriage License

#### When to Apply:

Both parties must appear at the County

Clerk's Office not sooner than one day, not later than fifteen days after the date shown on the medical certificate and blood test.

**Persons Who May Not Marry:**

Blood relatives (down to and including cousins of the first degree), persons adjudged as idiots and mentally ill may not marry under the laws of the State of Illinois. **Important:**

Persons obtaining license in Perry County may NOT use the license to marry in any other county. License is void after thirty days from date of issuance.

**Qualifications - Residents of the State of Illinois**

**Age Requirements:**

Male applicants must be 18 years of age or over; female applicants must be 18 years of age or over. However, males between 16 and 18, and females between 16 and 18, may obtain a license through sworn consent of a parent or legal guardian. Consent must bear the Seal of a County Official, a Notary Seal is unacceptable.

**Proof of Age:**

Proof of age will be required of any persons of questionable legal age - such as a Birth Certificate, Baptismal or Selective Service Card. A driver's license is not acceptable.

**Medical Examination:**

All persons desiring to marry must, within fifteen days prior to applying for license, be examined by a duly licensed Illinois physician as to the existence or non-existence of any venereal disease. They shall present, for filing with the County Clerk: 1. a physician's certificate setting forth that such person is free from venereal disease as nearly as can be determined by a thorough physical examination; 2. Attached to that, a negative laboratory report from an approved Illinois laboratory.

**Qualifications - Non-Residents**

Non-residents must comply with the requirements of their respective states. Non-residents requiring parental or legal guardian consent must obtain a sworn statement before the County Clerk of their respective county and have the Seal of the County Clerk on the consent for presentation, or parent or legal guardian may accompany said minor to this office to give consent. A notarized consent will not be accepted. Non-residents who are examined by a physician from other states may obtain required Illinois forms from the office of the County Clerk, Perry County Courthouse, Pinckneyville, Illinois 62274.

**Non-Residents Must:**

1. Present a physician's certificate for both male and female.
2. Present a laboratory report from their

respective State Board of Health, which is located in that State's Capitol.

Laboratory reports from the laboratories of the military branches of the U. S. Public Health Service, District of Columbia or City of New York will be accepted.

#### General Information About Obtaining a Delayed Birth Certificate

When a person has checked with the County Clerk's Office for a birth certificate and finds that it was not recorded, then an application for a delayed birth certificate can be applied for. At least two (2) proofs must accompany the application which states the name of the child, date of birth, place of birth, name of the father and maiden name of the mother. These proofs can be an old family Bible, a baptismal certificate if the child was baptized before the age of 10 years, a school record, an affidavit of a relative that is older or if parents are living, they can sign the affidavit, or a certified copy of a marriage application of the person who is applying for the birth certificate.

After the application for the delayed birth certificate has been filled out and properly attested to, it is submitted to the Bureau of Vital Statistics at Springfield. If all the information is in proper form, the delayed birth certificate is issued and returned to the County Clerk's Office and filed in the Delayed Birth Records.

#### Birth, Death and Marriage Records

The County Clerk's Office is the keeper of birth, death and marriage records and the only place a certified copy of the same can be secured. A certified copy of either costs \$2.00 payable in advance.

#### County Jail

No accurate date has been found that can establish the real age of the Perry County Jail. It has been established beyond any doubt though that the Jail is well over one hundred years old and is among the oldest in the State.

For many years, the Jail was considered an ancient structure beyond repairs and considerable upkeep and maintenance was required. Several Grand Jurys investigations recommended building a new Jail which would have cost several hundred thousand dollars.

To date, our Jail meets nearly all State and Federal requirements for safety. Our present Board of Commissioners John Rednour, Chairman (D), Vallie West (D) and Vic Provart (D) members undertook the task of renovation and remodeling the Jail. To date, the exterior has been tuck pointed, a new roof for the outside. Inside, a complete overhaul was made, the Sheriff's residence was moved out, full time jailers now keep constant surveillance on prisoners.

The County Radio services for police, fire and other emergencies are located in the County Jail building. The Board of Commissioners authorized the purchase of new modern monitoring equipment. The

General Assistance Office was moved to the Jail saving taxpayers several thousands of dollars being paid out for rent.

The inside of the Jail has completely been repaired and renovation to meet all requirements now required to operate. The County Board should be commended for their foresight in undertaking the renovation and saving the taxpayers several hundred thousand dollars.

#### County Clerks of Perry County

Winton L. Bigham	1970 -
Frank W. Keith	1942 - 1970
Mervin Eaton	1930 - 1942
H. H. Baughman	1918 - 1930
W. A. Bommersheim	1914 - 1918
H. R. Sims	1910 - 1914
J. G. Taffee	1894 - 1910
R. G. Williams	1890 - 1894
W. S. D. Smith	1874 - 1890
Carrol Harriss	1870 - 1874
L. T. Ross	1866 - 1870
David M. Hoge	1862 - 1866

John W. Pyatt	1854 - 1862
N. L. Kelley	1850 - 1854
C. L. Starbuck	1848 - 1850
John O. Burklow	1840 - 1848
H. B. Jones	1827 - 1840

#### Sheriffs of Perry County

Eddie N. Rainwater	1970 -
Norman Brostmeyer	1966 - 1970
John Barber	1962 - 1966
Tom O'Keefe	1958 - 1962
Joe Shirk	1954 - 1958
Craig Templeton	1950 - 1954
Tom O'Keefe	1946 - 1950
Emil (Buck) Boquillon	1942 - 1946
Howard W. Lee	1938 - 1942
Robert J. Ozburn	1934 - 1938
Albert C. Davis	1930 - 1934
Thomas H. Thimmig	1926 - 1930
Albert C. Davis	1922 - 1926
Thomas H. Thimmig	1918 - 1922
J. Quinn Charlton	1914 - 1918
Samuel T. Duncan	1910 - 1914
Dempsey Winthrop	1906 - 1910
Henry R. Winthrop	1902 - 1906
John J. King	1896 - 1902
John S. Winthrop	1894 - 1896
George W. Clark	1890 - 1894
Thomas Penwarden	1886 - 1890
Ralph G. Williams	1882 - 1886

Thomas Penwarden	1880 - 1882
Edwin M. Harriss	1876 - 1880
Leonard T. Ross	1872 - 1876
Samuel A. Baird	1870 - 1872
Daniel W. Dry	1868 - 1870
J. Carroll Harriss	1866 - 1868
William C. Leslie	1864 - 1866
James F. Mason	1862 - 1864
Albert A. Clymer	1860 - 1862
James J. Hoge	1858 - 1860
David M. Hoge	1856 - 1858
John D. Reese	1854 - 1856
David M. Hoge	1852 - 1854
John W. Pyatt	1850 - 1852
David M. Hoge	1846 - 1850
Laban C. Jones	1844 - 1846
Abner K. Pyle	1843 - 1844
John Steele	1840 - 1843
Matthew Jones	1836 - 1840
William C. Murphy	1827 - 1836

**Clerks of the Circuit Court, Perry County**

Robert Phipps	1964 -
Lloyd Edwards	1960 - 1964
Dyer Campbell	1944 - 1960
Alva Engert	1944 -
Gene Kellerman	1940 - 1944
Hugo Dudenbostel	1939 - 1940
Victor Shade	1932 - 1939
Henry Schaub	1924 - 1932
John DeWitt Roe	1911 - 1924
Charles H. Ross	1908 - 1911
James M. Pyatt	1904 - 1908
Albert Driemeyer	1892 - 1904
Charles Roe	1867 - 1892
James M. Brown	1864 - 1867

Evan Rushing	1856 - 1864
James Montag	1852 - 1856
Lewis Hammack	1848 - 1852
Charles Starbuck	1847 - 1848
Andrew Dickinson	1843 - 1847
Marmaduke S. Ferguson	1843 -
Humphrey Jones	1827 - 1843

**Perry County Democratic  
Precinct Committeemen 1972-1974**

Du Quoin No. 1	Edward Vickery 321 E. Cole St., Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 2	James Brewner 217 S. Mulberry, Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 3	John Rednour 933 S. Lake Dr., Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 4	Sidney Keene 24 S. Linden, Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 5	Robert Phipps 520 W. Main, Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 6	W. Dean Swallers 940 E. Main, Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 7	Gerald Whitley 503 E. Cole, Du Quoin
Du Quoin No. 8	Loren Polley 655 E. Park, Du Quoin

Du Quoin No. 9  
Charles Macaluso  
527 N. Maple, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 10  
James Woolsey  
R. R. #1, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 11  
Thomas Davison  
341 N. Division, Du Quoin  
Pinckneyville No. 1  
Kay Carns  
207 W. South, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 2  
Roger E. Knapp  
1111 New St., Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 3  
Frank Millikin  
R. R. #3, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 4  
Edwin Harrell  
R. R. #1, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 5  
Carl Peradotta  
R. R. #3, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 6  
Kenneth Koenigstein  
R. R. #2, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 7  
Calvin Knapp  
R. R. #2, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 8  
Winton L. Bigham  
R. R. #2, Pinckneyville  
Tamaroa No. 1  
O. L. Bearden  
P. O. Box, Tamaroa  
Tamaroa No. 2

Ben Rusiewski  
P. O. Box, Tamaroa  
Sunfield  
Eddie Rainwater  
R. R. #3, Du Quoin  
Beaucoup  
Ralph Przygoda  
R. R. #2, Pinckneyville  
Swanwick  
Joseph Baker  
Swanwick  
Cutler  
Philip Hepp  
P. O. Box, Cutler  
Willisville  
Dale Smith  
Willisville, Ill.

#### County Central Committee

John Rednour, Chairman; James Woolsey,  
Vice-Chairman; Robert Phipps, Secre-  
tary; Winton L. Bigham, Treasurer.

#### Perry County Republican Precinct Committeemen 1972-1974

Du Quoin No. 1  
Jerome Roznowski  
801 N. Washington, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 2  
Du Quoin No. 3  
Loren E. Felts  
809 S. Washington Du Quoin

Du Quoin No. 4  
Herman Krone  
R. R. #2, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 5  
Victor H. Ritter  
118 N. Hickory, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 6  
Lester Short  
R. R. #1, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 7  
Sylvester Keiner  
R. R. #1, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 8  
Lester J. McRoy  
130 S. Peach, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 9  
Sam Cicardo  
413 N. Maple, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 10  
Bernard Eisenhauer  
R. R. #2, Du Quoin  
Du Quoin No. 11  
L. A. Brosch  
447 E. North, Du Quoin  
Pinckneyville No. 1  
  
Pinckneyville No. 2  
LaVerne Bass  
111 E. Kaskaskia, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 3  
Steve Lueker  
R. R. #1, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 4  
Rudolph Caupert  
R. R. #3, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 5  
Robert Holloway

R. R. #3, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 6  
Steve R. Reel  
P. O. Box 51, Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 7  
Bob Place  
101 First St., Pinckneyville  
Pinckneyville No. 8  
Forrest Mathis  
R. R. #2, Pinckneyville  
Tamaroa No. 1  
John Qualls  
R. R. #2, Tamaroa  
Tamaroa No. 2  
Antone Zelasko  
Tamaroa, Illinois  
Sunfield  
  
Beaucoup  
Bernard Schubert  
R. R. #2, Pinckneyville  
Swanwick  
Marion Greer  
R. R. #1, Coulterville  
Cutler

Willisville  
Miles Nixon  
Willisville, Illinois

Perry County Polling Places  
for all County Elections

PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 1  
Noward's Garage, S. Walnut St.  
PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 2  
Rudy Stahlheber's Station

PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 3  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Bldg.  
PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 4  
Secretary's Office, Fairgrounds  
PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 5  
Fred Schwartzkoph Upholstery Shop  
PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 6  
Casey's Auto Repair Shop  
PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 7  
Rice Ford Co.  
PINCKNEYVILLE PRECINCT NO. 8  
Macaluso Residence  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 1  
Du Quoin Boy's Club  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 2  
Teen Town, S. Division  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 3  
Emling Marathon Service Station  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 4  
Maxton Shell Service Station  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 5  
A.L. Anderson Memorial Home  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 6  
Art Keller Residence  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 7  
Pearl Adams Residence  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 8  
Earl Schafer Residence  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 9  
SMBET Lodge Building  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 10  
Purdy School Bldg., R. #1  
DU QUOIN PRECINCT NO. 11  
Scout House  
TAMAROA PRECINCT NO. 1  
American Legion Hall, Tamaroa  
TAMAROA PRECINCT NO. 2  
Tamaroa Village Hall, Tamaroa

SUNFIELD PRECINCT  
Sunfield School Building  
BEAUCOUP PRECINCT  
Todd's Mill School Building  
CUTLER PRECINCT  
New Village Hall, Cutler  
SWANWICK PRECINCT  
Henry Vogel's Residence  
WILLISVILLE PRECINCT  
Village Hall, Willisville

**Perry County Only Abstract Co.  
Roe Abstract Company**

Roe Abstract Company, a firm long known in circles of attorneys and title men, is one of the oldest companies in the United States, and is probably the oldest in the State of Illinois owned and operated continuously by one family.

The Roe Abstract Company through the years has maintained a good working relationship with Government in Perry County. The Company has helped many elected County Officials in their operation of County Offices by passing on information and knowledge that is in their possession.

The Roe family in their continuous operation of the Abstract Company has always maintained a staff of employees that are a credit to the Company and County itself.

At the present time, Charles B. Roe is sole owner of the Company ably assisted by his wife, Chris, Mrs. Jane Jones, Miss Phyllis Epplin and Mrs. Hilda Yeager.

The Company in their 105 years of service have now begun their second century of

service in Perry County.

#### "Fairs"

Perry County has two fairgrounds and annually each one holds their Fair. The Perry County Fair held in Pinckneyville is the oldest continuous fair in the State of Illinois and is held in July.

The Du Quoin State Fair held at Du Quoin is held the last week of August and ends on Labor Day. For a number of years, the Hambletonian has been held at Du Quoin. Each night, a gala night show is featured in front of the Grandstand to capacity crowds. The Fair also features one of the largest livestock expositions of anywhere in the midwest.

#### "Mardi- Gras"

The last Saturday of October, Pinckneyville celebrates Halloween with a gala celebration complete with a large parade including bands, floats, gala costumes and pretty girls. Large crowds attend each year as people come from all over Southern Illinois to take part. This past year marked the 50th anniversary of the event, with many of the old queens returning to add their beauty to the celebration. Each year, the event is closed with the crowning of the new queen. The Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce sponsors the celebration.

#### "American Threshermen's Power Progress Show"

The third week of August, the Pinckneyville Fair Grounds comes alive with steam engines, old tractors, threshers, sawmills,

veneering machines, antiques, novelty stands and what have you, including the largest exhibit of antique cars found anywhere in the midwest. For an enjoyable time and an experience, you will not forget you must attend.

Dates the Courthouse is to be closed as listed as legal holidays in the Illinois Revised Statute:

1. New Year's Day
2. Lincoln's Birthday
3. Good Friday
4. Memorial Day
5. July 4th
6. Labor Day
7. Columbus Day
8. Veteran's Day
9. Thanksgiving Day
10. Christmas Day

